

**A.L. 95 ta' l-2003**

**ATT DWAR IL-PROTEZZJONI ĊIVILI  
(KAP. 411)**

**Regolamenti ta' l-2003 dwar Korp ta' Voluntieri  
fil-Protezzjoni Ċivili**

BIS-SAHHA tas-setghat moghtija bl-artikolu 7 ta' l-Att dwar il-Protezzjoni Ċivili, il-Ministru ta' l-Intern u l-Ambjent ghamel dawn ir-regolamenti li ġejjin:-

**1.** (1) It-titolu ta' dawn ir-regolamenti hu Regolamenti ta' l-2003 dwar Korp ta' Voluntieri fil-Protezzjoni Ċivili. Titolu u bidu fis-sehh.

(2) Dawn ir-regolamenti ghandhom jibdew isehhu mill-1 ta' April 2003.

**2.** F'dawn ir-regolamenti, kemm-il darba r-rabta tal-kliem ma tkunx tehtieg xort'ohra:- Tifsir.

“Att” tfisser l-Att tal-1999 dwar il-Protezzjoni Ċivili;

“Korp” tfisser il-Korp ta' Voluntieri fil-Protezzjoni Ċivili imsemmi fir-regolament 3 ta' dawn ir-Regolamenti;

“Kunsill” tfisser il-Kunsill ghall-Protezzjoni Ċivili mwaqqaf taht l-artikolu 5 ta' l-Att;

“Dipartiment” tfisser id-Dipartiment ghall-Protezzjoni Ċivili mwaqqaf bl-artikolu 3 ta' l-Att;

“Direttur” tfisser id-Direttur tad-Dipartiment ghall-Protezzjoni Ċivili u tinkludi, fil-limitu ta' l-awtorità moghtija, kull ufficjal pubbliku iehor awtorizzat ghaldaqstant minn dak id-Direttur;

“korp dixxiplinat” tfisser korp bhalma hemm imsemmi fl-artikolu 47 tal-Kostituzzjoni;

“Ministru” tfisser il-Ministru responsabbli għall-Protezzjoni Ċivili u tinkludi, fil-limitu ta’ l-awtorità mogħtija, kull min ikun awtorizzat għaldaqshekk għal kull skop ta’ dawn ir-regolamenti;

“organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva” tfisser organizzazzjoni rikonoxxuta ta’ voluntieri li tkun twaqqfet għall-finijiet ta’ protezzjoni ċivili u li ma jkollhiex b’ghan tagħha li tagħmel xi profitt bħala wiehed mill-iskopijiet prinċipali tagħha li, wara li din tapplika għaldaqstant, tkun għet rikonoxxuta mid-Direttur skond ir-regolament 4 ta’ dawn ir-Regolamenti;

“Korp ta’ Salvataġġ” tfisser Forza ta’ Ghajjnuna u Salvataġġ imsemmija fl-artikolu 8 ta’ l-Att;

“voluntier” tfisser persuna li, għax ikollha interess attiv fil-hidma tal-protezzjoni ċivili, tiġi iskritta bħala membru tal-Korp.

Twaqqif ta’ Korp ta’ Voluntieri fil-Protezzjoni Ċivili u arrwolament fih.

**3.** (1) Għandu jiġi mwaqqaf Korp fil-Forza ta’ Ghajjnuna u Salvataġġ, fid-Dipartiment tal-Protezzjoni Ċivili, li jkun magħruf bħala l-Korp ta’ Voluntieri fil-Protezzjoni Ċivili.

(2) Il-kandidati għall-arrwolament fil-Korp għandhom jintgħażlu b’dawk il-mezzi li l-Ministru jista’ minn żmien għal żmien jistabbilixxi u dawn għandhom -

(a) ikunu għalqu t-18-il sena;

(b) ikunu tajba biex jitqabbdu jagħmlu d-dmirijiet kollha li membru tal-Korp ikun dovut jagħmel; u

(c) ikollu ċertifikat li juri li jkollu *standards* mediċi minimi ta’ saħħa fiżika skond ma d-Direttur jista’ jistabbilixxi.

(3) Voluntier ma jistax jiġi arrwolat fil-Korp jekk huwa:

(a) jkollu l-impjeg ewlieni tiegħu fid-Dipartiment tal-Protezzjoni Ċivili;

(b) jkollu l-impjeg ewlieni tiegħu f’korp dixxiplinat; jew

(c) ikun membru registat ta’ organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva.

(4) Hadd ma jista’ jinhatar bħala membru tal-Korp skond dawn ir-regolamenti kemm-il darba ma jkunx ha l-Ġurament tal-Kariga li hemm fl-Iskeda li tinsab ma’ dawn ir-regolamenti. Il-Ġurament tal-

Kariga ghandu jittiehed u jkun iffirmit mill-membri quddiem id-Direttur jew quddiem persuna li debitament ikollha s-setgħa għaldaqstant mogħtija minnu.

(5) Persuna li tkun applikat għall-arrwolament tista' ma tintlaqax mid-Direttur minhabba f'xi raġuni minn dawn li ġejjin:-

- (a) li x'aktarx li ma tkunx membru utli u effettiv tal-Korp;
- (b) li titqies bħala persuna mhux adatta jew ta' influwenza mhux mixtieqa;
- (c) li x'aktarx tiskredita l-Korp;
- (d) għal kull raġuni oħra ġustifikata fl-interess tas-servizz.

(6) Persuna li tkun inċaħdet milli tarrwola fil-Korp skond is-subregolament (5) ta' dan ir-regolament, jew inkella meta jiġi miċhud l-arrwolament mill-ġdid bis-saħħa tas-subregolament (7) ta' dan ir-regolament, tista' tressaq appell bil-miktub għal reviżjoni tad-deċiżjoni quddiem il-Kunsill fi żmien sebat ijiem minn meta jingħata avviż dwar dan. Deċiżjoni mill-Kunsill dwar xi appell bħal dak għandu jkun wiehed finali u konkluziv.

(7) Kandidati li jgħaddu b'suċċess għandhom jiġu arrwolati għal żmien ta' ingaġġ tal-bidu ta' tliet snin, li jiġġeddu abbażi ta' adempiment pożittiv u effettiv għal perjodu ulterjuri ta' tliet snin.

**4.** Organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi li, fil-fehma tad-Direttur ikollhom il-kwalifiki meħtieġa, jistgħu jingħataw rikonoxximent bħala korpi awżiljarji illi, li kieku dawn jissejju minnu fil-każ ta' diżastru jew ta' emerġenza pubblika, jistgħu jipprovdu għajjnuna unitarja u koperazzjoni; iżda rikonoxximent bħal dak ta' organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva għandha biss tkompli sakemm dan ikun hekk mixtieq mid-Direttur u, jew l-organizzazzjoni nnifisha.

Organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi.

**5.** (1) Id-Direttur għandu jassenja lill-membri kollha tal-Korp id-dmirijiet li jkunu tenuti li jagħmlu.

Membri tal-Korp.

(2) Meta jkun possibbli dmirijiet bħal daww għandhom jingħataw b'kull dettall u permezz ta' ordnijiet bil-miktub mid-Direttur.

(3) Ikun id-dmir ta' kull membru tal-Korp li jkun konformi ma' daww id-dmirijiet u ma' kull regolament, regola, ordni, direzzjoni jew linja direttiva oħra li tinhareġ minn jew f'isem id-Direttur u li jobdi kull ordni oħra legittima li jkollha x'taqsam mal-Korp.

(4) Membri tal-Korp ghandhom f'kull waqt hekk igibu ruhhom u jwettqu dmirijietom b'mod li jirbhu r-rispett tal-kollegi taghhom u tas-superjuri taghhom u l-fiducja tal-komunita.

(5) Ghall-fini li jinzammu *standards* gholjin fis-servizz u fl-imgieba tal-membri tal-Korp, id-Direttur jista', bl-approvazzjoni tal-Ministru, johrog kodiċi ta' dixxiplina u ta' Prattika biex jirregola l-imgieba generali tal-membri u l-adempiment taghhom filwaqt li jkunu fuq xogholhom sabiex jizguraw fiducja dejjiema tal-pubbliku lejn il-Korp.

Dixxiplina.

**6.** (1) Voluntier jista' jigi dixxiplinat mid-Direttur talli ma jobdix l-ordnijiet waqt li jkun qiegħed fuq xoghlu, jew għal negliġenza fit-twettiq ta' xi dmir bħal dak, jew għal imgieba hażina minnu bhala membru arrwolot fil-Korp, jew talli jkun naqas milli jattendi jew talli jonqos milli jtemm b'suċċess perjodi ta' tahrig skond ma jkun hemm provdut fir-regolament 7 ta' dawn ir-Regolamenti, jew għal xi kawża jew raġuni suffiċjenti, u jkun jispetta lid-Direttur li jevalwa jekk tkunx teżisti xi wahda minn dawn il-hwejjeġ u l-qies ta' din il-haġa.

(2) Voluntier li jagħmel reat kontra d-dixxiplina taht dawn ir-Regolamenti għandu, meta jinsab hati, jkun soġġett għal xi piena wahda jew iżjed minn dawn li ġejjin f'din l-iskala axxendentali li ġejja:

(a) twissija verbali;

(b) twissija verbali gravi;

(ċ) twissija bil-miktub flimkien ma' dikjarazzjoni li jekk xi haġa tiġri mill-ġdid, dan jista' jwassal għal sospensjoni jew tkeċċija, skond il-każ;

(d) sospensjoni;

(e) tkeċċija.

(3) Ikun jispetta lil organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva li tiddixxiplina lill-membri tagħha għal diżubbidjenza ta' l-ordnijiet filwaqt li jkunu msejjhin għax-xogħol, għal negliġenza waqt il-qadi ta' dmirijiet, imgieba hażina jew xi kawża oħra suffiċjenti.

Uniformijiet u tagħmir iehor.

**7.** (1) Kull voluntier jista' jigi pprovdut bi spiza pubblika b'uniformi, ilbies u tagħmir iehor li jista' jkun meħtieġ għall-qadi kif imiss tad-dmirijiet u r-responsabbiltajiet tiegħu. Id-Direttur għandu jiddeċiedi dwar ix-xorta, il-kwalità u l-kwantità ta' oġġetti bħal daww għar-rigward ta' kull membru.

(2) Kull volontier li jiġi pprovdut b'xi lbies, tagħmir jew oġġett iehor bhal dawk għandu jiehu hsiebhom sew u għandu jagħmel tajjeb għal kull telf jew hsara li ssir fihom jekk jiġi ppruvat, wara li ssir investigazzjoni kif imiss, li dak it-telf jew dik il-hsara għet ikkaġunata bil-hsieb jew minhabba fi traskuraġni jew negliġenza min-naħa tiegħu.

(3) Volontier li jtemm milli jkun membru tal-Korp għandu minnufih jikkonsenja lil dak l-uffiċjal tad-Dipartiment u f'dak il-hin u post skond ma d-Direttur jista' jordna, kull uniformi, ilbies u tagħmir iehor li jkunu ingħatawlu bi spiża pubblika u li d-Direttur ikun ordnalu jirritorna.

(4) Qabel ma tinhariġlu uniformi, ilbies u tagħmir bhal dawk, volontier ikun mehtieg jiffirma ftehim li jkun lest li jħares il-provvedimenti tar-regolamenti (2) u (3) ta' dan ir-regolament.

**8.** (1) Kull membru tal-Korp għandu jiġi mharreġ mid-Dipartiment għal perjodu bhal dak u f'tali postijiet skond ma jistgħu jiġu speċifikati mid-Direttur, u jistgħu, għal dawk il-fini, jingabru għaldaqshekk xi darba waħda jew iktar drabi kull sena.

Tahriġ ta' membri tal-Korp.

(2) Huma biss dawk il-voluntieri jew membri li jkunu b'suċċess temmew mill-anqas kors ta' sena wiehed skond ma hemm provdut fil-paragrafu (1) ta' dan ir-regolament li jiġu ċertifikati bhala kompetenti u eliġibbli biex iservu jew ikomplu jservu bhala membri tal-Korp.

**9.** Il-voluntieri ma jkollhom jedd għal ebda rimunerazzjoni matul is-sessjonijiet ta' tahriġ, li jistgħu jkunu jinkludu wkoll tahriġ li jsir waqt attwalità.

Rimunerazzjoni waqt it-tahriġ.

**10.** (1) F'każ ta' xi diżastru jew emergenza li jitqiesu mid-Direttur bhala li huma ta' tali entità u kobor hekk li jkunu jehtieġu il-ġbir ta' volontieri, huwa għandu, wara li jikkonsulta lill-Ministru u jikseb l-approvazzjoni tiegħu, johroġ l-avviż pubbliku mehtieg lill-voluntieri kollha sabiex dawn jirrapportaw għax-xogħol skond ma jkun mehtieg.

Avviżi ta' ġbir ta' nies.

Izda huwa jista' wkoll jikkonsulta mal-kapijiet ta' organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi dwar jekk għandux jinhareġ avviż biex jingabru l-membri rispettivi tagħhom.

(2) Id-Direttur jista' johroġ ordnijiet u linji direttivi lil volontieri u, f'konsultazzjoni mal-kapijiet rispettivi tagħhom, lil organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi dwar il-ġbir ta' nies biex jirrapportaw għax-xogħol sabiex tiġi żgurata s-sigurezza u s-sigurta' tal-pubbliku u sabiex jinżammu provvisti u servizzi essenzjali għall-hajja tal-komunità. L-eżekuzzjoni speċifika ta' ordnijiet u linji direttivi

bhal dawk ghandha tibqa', fil-każ ta' organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi, l-unika responsabbilta' tal-mexxejja rispettivi tagħhom.

(3) Ikun id-dmir u l-obbligu ta' kull membru li jingabar ghax-xoghol li jhares kull ordni u linja direttiva li tinhareg mid-Direttur skond il-paragrafu (2) ta' dan ir-regolament.

Indennizz mill-gvern.

**11.** Bla hsara ghad-disposizzjonijiet tar-regolament 9, membri tal-Korp ghandhom, filwaqt li jkunu qeghdin jitharrgu jew fit-twettiq tad-dmirijiet ta' protezzjoni ċivili, jiġu kkunsidrati bhala membri tad-Dipartiment tal-Protezzjoni Ċivili, u ghandhom jiġu kkunsidrati bhala tali f'każ ta' feriment jew mewt li huma jgarrbu matul it-taħriġ jew xi operazzjoni attwali.

Esperti oħra.

**12.** Dawn ir-regolamenti ma ghandhom japplikaw ghal ebda persuna li tkun mitluba mid-Direttur tagħti parir espert *ad hoc* jew li tkun membru ta' xi kummissjoni konsultattiva mwaqqfa bis-saħha tas-subartikolu (2) ta' l-artikolu 7 ta' l-Att.

Reġistru u, jew *database* ta' voluntieri.

**13.** (1) Id-Dipartiment ghandu jzomm reġistru aġġornat u, jew *database* ta' voluntieri u organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi b'dawn id-dettalji ewlenin li ġejjin -

(a) l-isem u l-indirizz tal-voluntier individwali jew ta' l-organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva, skond il-każ;

(b) fil-każ ta' xi organizzazzjoni, il-miri li jkollha;

(c) l-ismijiet, l-indirizzi, it-taħriġ, l-esperjenzi, il-kwalifiki u l-ispeċjalitajiet jew il-majjistrija tal-voluntier individwali;

(d) fejn japplika, n-numri tat-telefon, kemm fiss kemm ċellulari, tal-*fax* u indirizzi *e-mail* ta' daww il-voluntieri;

(e) it-tagħmir li jkun jappartjeni lil voluntieri individwali skond ix-xorta, proprjeta', ghadd ta' unitajiet, disponibilità, użu, l-istat li jkun jinsab fih u jekk hux mantnut, il-fini tiegħu, il-post fejn soltu jinżamm, u kull informazzjoni oħra relattiva;

(f) fil-każ ta' xi organizzazzjoni, kull bini, post ta' hażna, faċilitajiet għat-taħriġ li jkunu jappartjenu lilha;

(g) kull informazzjoni oħra li titqies li tkun meħtieġa jew ta' utilità għall-fini li jinżamm reġistru effiċjenti u aġġornat ta' rizorsi volontarji, kemm ta' bnedmin kemm xort'oħra, f'Malta.

(2) Kull informazzjoni u reġistrazzjoni taht dan ir-regolament għandha tkun ta' natura konfidenzjali u għandha tkun biss aċċessibbli għall-Ministru, għad-Direttur u għal kull uffiċjal iehor debitament awtorizzat.

(3) Ir-reġistru u, jew *database* disponibbli għandhom, bl-ghajjnuna ta' voluntieri individwali u organizzazzjonijiet mhux governattivi involuti, jiġu perjodikament riveduti u aġġornati mid-Dipartiment u għandha ssir revizjoni ġenerali dwar dan mill-anqas darba kull tliet snin.

(4) Voluntier individwali jew organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva li b'mod persistenti jonqsu milli jipprovdu l-informazzjoni meħtieġa mingħandhom biex id-Dipartiment ikun jista' jzomm reġistrazzjoni aġġornata tar-rizorsi tiegħu, għandhom jitqiesu wara perjodu raġonevoli ta' avvizi mogħti mid-Dipartiment, fil-każ ta' voluntier u, fil-każ ta' organizzazzjoni mhux governattiva, jiġu rikonoxxuti għall-finijiet tar-regolament 4 ta' dawn ir-Regolamenti, bhala li ma għadhomx aktar interessati f'li jiffirmaw parti jew li jibqgħu jiffirmaw parti mill-Korp ta' Voluntieri għall-Protezzjoni Ċivili.

**SKEDA**

**Regolament 3(3)**

**ĠURAMENT TAL-KARIGA TA' MEMBRU  
TA' KORP TA' VOLUNTIERI GHALL-PROTEZZJONI ĊIVILI**

Jien ..... hawn solennement nahlef/nafferma li se nwettaq fedelment skond l-istruzzjonijiet u minghajr ebda biża' kull dmir u responsabbiltà lili mogħtija mid-Direttur tad-Dipartiment tal-Protezzjoni Ċivili, jew minn kull persuna oħra li tiġi hekk minnu delegata, bhala membru tal-Korp tal-Voluntieri tal-Protezzjoni Ċivili.

Hekk Alla jghinni.

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**CIVIL PROTECTION ACT  
(CAP. 411)**

**Civil Protection (Volunteers Corps) Regulations 2003**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by article 7 of the Civil Protection Act, the Minister for Home Affairs and the Environment has made the following regulations:

1. (1) The Title of these Regulations is the Civil Protection (Volunteers Corps) Regulations, 2003. Citation and commencement.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2003.

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:- Interpretation.

“Act” means the Civil Protection Act 1999;

“Corps” means the Civil Protection Volunteers Corps referred to in regulation 3 of these Regulations;

“Council” means the Civil Protection Council established under article 5 of the Act;

“Department” means the Department of Civil Protection established by article 3 of the Act;

“Director” means the Director of Civil Protection and includes, to the extent of the authority given, any other public officer authorised in that behalf by such Director;

“disciplined force” means a force as referred to in article 47 of the Constitution;

“Minister” means the Minister responsible for Civil Protection and includes, to the extent of the authority given, any person authorised on that behalf for any purpose of these regulations;

“non-governmental organisation” means a recognised organisation of volunteers that has been established for civil protection purposes and does not have the making of profit as one of its main objectives which, on an application by it to this effect, has been recognised by the Director in terms of regulation 4 of these Regulations;

“Rescue Force” means the Assistance and Rescue Force referred to in article 8 of the Act;

“volunteer” means any person who, having an active interest in civil protection matters, is enrolled as a member of the Corps.

Establishment of the Civil Protection Volunteers Corps and enlistment thereto.

**3.** (1) There shall be established a Corps within the Assistance and Rescue Force of the Civil Protection Department to be known as the Civil Protection Volunteers Corps.

(2) Candidates for enlistment in the Corps shall be selected by such means and in such a manner as the Minister may from time to time determine and must –

(a) be over the age of 18;

(b) be fit for engagement in all the duties incumbent on any member of the Corps; and

(c) be certified to possess such minimum medical standards of fitness as the Director may determine.

(3) A volunteer may not be enlisted in the Corps if he is:

(a) in the full employment of the Civil Protection Department;

(b) in the employment of a disciplined force; or

(c) a registered member of a non-governmental organisation.

(4) No person shall be appointed a member of the Corps in terms of these regulations unless he has taken the Oath of Office set out in the Schedule to these Regulations. The Oath of Office shall be taken and signed by all members before the Director or a person duly empowered to do so by him.

(5) A person who has applied for enlistment may be rejected by the Director on any of the following grounds:-

(a) that he is unlikely to become a useful and effective member of the Corps;

(b) that he is considered a misfit or an undesirable influence;

(c) that he is likely to bring discredit on the Corps;

(d) for any other justified reason in the interest of the service.

(6) A person who has been rejected from enlisting in the Corps in accordance with subregulation (5) hereof, or where re-enlistment is refused in virtue of subregulation (7) hereof, may appeal in writing for a review of the decision before the Council within seven days of being so notified. A decision by the Council on such appeal shall be final and conclusive.

(7) Successful candidates shall be enlisted on an initial engagement period of three years, renewable on the basis of positive and effective performance for further periods of three years.

**4.** Non-governmental Organisations which, in the opinion of the Director possess the necessary qualifications, may be recognised as auxiliary bodies which, if called upon by him in the event of a disaster or public emergency, may provide concerted assistance and co-operation; provided that such recognition of a non-governmental organisation shall continue only until so desired by the Director and, or the organisation itself.

Non-governmental  
Organisations.

**5.** (1) The Director shall assign to all members of the Corps the duties to be carried out by them.

Members of the  
Corps.

(2) Where possible such duties shall be set out in detail in written orders by the Director.

(3) It shall be the duty of every member of the Corps to conform to such duties and to any other regulations, rules, orders, directions or guidelines issued by or on behalf of the Director and to obey all other lawful orders relating to the Corps.

(4) Members of the Corps shall at all times so conduct themselves and perform their duties as to command the respect of their colleagues and their superiors and the trust of the community.

(5) For the purpose of maintaining the high standards of service and conduct of the members of the Corps, the Director may, with the approval of the Minister, issue codes of discipline and practice to regulate the members' general behaviour and their performance while on duty in order to ensure the continued trust of the public in the Corps.

**6.** (1) A volunteer may be disciplined by the Director for disobedience to orders while on duty, or for neglect of any such duty, or for misconduct by him as an enlisted member of the Corps, or for failing to attend or failing to successfully conclude training sessions as provided

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for in regulation 7 hereof, or for other sufficient cause or reason, the existence and sufficiency of which are to be judged by the Director.

(2) A volunteer who commits an offence against discipline under these regulations shall, if found guilty, be subject to one or more punishments in the following ascending scale:

- (a) verbal warning
- (b) severe verbal warning
- (c) written warning with a statement that any recurrence would lead to suspension or dismissal, as the case may be
- (d) suspension
- (e) dismissal.

(3) It shall be the duty of a non-governmental organisation to discipline its members for disobedience to orders while on call-out duty, neglect of duty, misconduct or other sufficient cause.

Uniforms and other equipment.

**7.** (1) Every volunteer may be supplied at public expense with a uniform, other clothing and equipment which may be required for the proper performance of his duties and responsibilities. The nature, quality and quantity of such articles with respect to each member shall be decided upon by the Director.

(2) Every volunteer supplied with such clothing, equipment or other article shall take proper care of them and shall make good for any loss or damage thereto if it is proved after due investigation that such loss or damage had been caused wilfully or through carelessness or negligence on his part.

(3) Any volunteer who ceases membership of the Corps shall forthwith deliver up to such officer of the Department and at such time and place as the Director shall direct, all uniforms, other clothing and equipment which have been supplied to him at public expense and which he is directed by the Director to return.

(4) Before being issued with such uniform, clothing and equipment, a volunteer shall be required to sign an understanding that he will comply with the provisions of regulations (2) and (3) hereof.

Training of members of the Corps.

**8.** (1) Every member of the Corps shall be trained by the Department for such a period and at such places as may be ordered by

the Director, and may for that purpose be called out once or more often in every year.

(2) Only volunteers or members who have successfully completed at least one yearly course of training as provided for in paragraph (1) hereof shall be certified as competent and eligible to serve or continue to serve as members of the Corps.

**9.** Volunteers shall not be entitled to any remuneration during training sessions, which may include also on-the-job training. Remuneration during training.

**10.** (1) In the event of a disaster or emergency considered by the Director as of such entity and magnitude as to require a call-out for volunteers, he shall, after consulting and obtaining the approval of the Minister, issue the necessary public notice to all volunteers to report for duty as required: Call-out notices.

Provided that he may also consult with the leaders of non-governmental organisations as to their issuing a call-out for their respective members.

(2) The Director may issue directions and guidelines to volunteers and, in consultation with their respective leaders, to non-governmental organisations on call-up duty in order to ensure the security and safety of the public and for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community. The specific execution of such directions and guidelines is to remain, in the case of non-governmental organisations, the sole responsibility of their respective leaders;

(3) It shall be the duty and obligation of every member on call-up duty to comply with any directions and guidelines issued by the Director in accordance with paragraph (2) hereof.

**11.** Subject to the provisions of regulation 9, members of the Corps will be considered as members of the Civil Protection Department whilst on training or in the execution of civil protection duties, and they will be considered as such in the event of injuries or death sustained during training or active duty. Government indemnity.

**12.** These regulations are not applicable to any person who is requested by the Director to give expert advice *ad hoc* or who is a member of a consultative commission duly appointed in terms of sub regulation (2) of article 7 of the Act. Other Experts.

**13.** (1) The Department shall keep an updated register and, or database of volunteers and non-governmental organisations with the following main details - Register and, or database of Volunteers.

(a) the name and address of the individual volunteer or of the non-governmental organisation, as the case may be;

(b) in the case of an organisation, its objectives;

(c) the names, addresses, training, experiences, qualifications, and specialities or expertise of the individual volunteer;

(d) where applicable, telephone numbers, mobile numbers, fax numbers, and e-mail addresses of such volunteers;

(e) the equipment belonging to individual volunteers by kind, ownership, number of units, availability, use, its state of utility and maintenance, its purpose, its normal place of storage, and any other pertinent information;

(f) in the case of an organisation, any buildings, storage places, training facilities belonging to it;

(g) any other information considered to be necessary or of utility for the purpose of maintaining an efficient and up-to-date register of all voluntary resources, both human and otherwise, in Malta.

(2) All information and records under this regulation shall be of a confidential nature and shall only be accessible to the Minister, the Director and to any other properly authorised official.

(3) The register and, or database available shall with the assistance of individual volunteers and non-governmental organisations involved be periodically reviewed and updated by the Department and a general revision thereto shall be carried out at least once every three years.

(4) Any individual volunteer or non-governmental organisation that persistently fails to provide the information required of it to enable the Department to keep an updated record of its resources shall after a reasonable period of written notices by the Department be deemed, in the case of a volunteer and, in the case of a non-governmental organisation, to be recognised for the purposes of regulation 4 of these Regulations, not to be further interested in forming part of or continuing to form part of the Civil Protection Volunteer Corps .

**SCHEDULE**

**[Regulation 3(3)]**

**Oath of Office of a Member  
of the Civil Protection Volunteers Corps**

I .....do  
solemnly swear/affirm that I shall faithfully execute according to instructions and  
without fear any duties or responsibilities assigned to me by the Director of Civil  
Protection, or any other person so delegated by him, as member of the Civil Protection  
Volunteer Corps.

So help me God.

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Signature of Member

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Signature of Witness

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Date